

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 12, line 17 of the specification with the following amended paragraph:

Then, when the temperature of the stirred mixture reached 100°C, it was charged to a screw molding machine (made by Nakatani Machinery Co., Ltd., trade name NVC-100), which had been pre-heated to 100°C in advance, and granulated by extrusion by the hot-cutting method, producing the target resin composition. The content of wood flour in the resin composition was 51 wt%. Extrusion granulation was carried out at C1 to C7 = 180°C, D = 200°C, a screw speed of 120 rpm, and an output rate of 170 kg/h. Visual surface examination confirmed that polypropylene and wood flour had been homogeneously kneaded together in the resin composition.